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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Frieder Braunschweig et al.	Examiner:	Natasha Patel
Serial No.	10/629,424	Group Art Unit:	3736
Filing Date:	29 July 2003	Docket No.:	P0010978.00
Title:	APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR HEMODYNAMIC-BASED OPTIMIZATION OF CARDIAC PACING		

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks as being fully responsive to the final Office Action mailed on 22 August 2007 which Office Action set a three-month period for reply expiring 22 November 2007.

This Response is submitted prior to the expiration of said period for reply. And, although said Response was not actually tendered within two-months of the mailing date of the final Office Action, Applicants request expedited review of same so that in the event that the Examiner elects not to enter said Response or allow the pending claims a timely submission may be made without fee for extension of time in which to respond.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the finality of the instant Office Action.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.